

\*Stand as you are able \*\* Doris Munday or Dixie Ramsdell, 'the waters',  
Dennis Dalgleish, candle lighting, Jerry Blaydes, sound system.

\*\*\* FPC Mission Statement. The congregation is invited to read the print in bold.  
*January/February Dollars for Mission to aid in Utility Payments through CareNet  
and New Beginnings.*

## Keeping Close at FPC

### THIS WEEK AT FPC

#### Sunday, Jan 22

9:00 a.m. Sunday School (FH) Sara Wood "2 Samuel 9:1-13 Mephibosheth"  
10:00 a.m. Worship (Sanctuary)

#### Monday, Jan 23

9:00 a.m. Exercise Class (FH)  
10:00 a.m. Yoga Class (FH)

#### Tuesday, Jan 24

No Activities Planned

#### Wednesday, Jan 25

11:30 a.m. PM lunch (Asian King)  
2:00 p.m. Sharing/Journey (M2)  
4:00 p.m. Choir Practice (Sanctuary)

#### Thursday, Jan 26

9:00 a.m. Exercise Class (FH)  
10:00 a.m. Yoga Class (FH)  
11:30 a.m. Lovely Ladies Lunch  
Meet @ church parking lot

#### Friday, Jan 27

12:30 p.m. Bible Study (M2) Melissa McClure

#### Saturday, Jan 28

5-9 p.m. Burn's night dinner (TH)

#### Sunday, Jan 29

9:00 a.m. Sunday School (FH) Sara Wood  
10:00 a.m. Worship (Sanctuary)  
*"Daily Change Sunday"*

### We thank God for you!

**Happy Birthday to:** Debbie Hartsfield *1/25*,  
Judy Bentley *1/25*, David Bingler *1/27*

Weekly Offering 1/15/23	Weekly Needs
\$4,185.00	\$ 3,486.00
YTD Totals	YTD Needs
\$9,486.33	\$10,458.00

**Reminder:** Lovely Ladies lunch outing to  
"Gracious Plates" in Franklin on Jan. 26. Meet in  
the Church parking lot at 11:30. All our welcome!

All are invited to help make projects for  
Valentine's Day for our at "at-home" members  
on Monday, Jan. 23 at Brenda Kraft's house (66  
Union Otto Day Care Rd. Franklin). We will be  
there from 10 to 2. Come for the whole time or a  
little of the time, all supplies provided. All hands  
are needed, no skill necessary. Light lunch  
provided.

**Down Memory Lane** – See the farewell of Jim & Sandy  
Geary's toy museum by typing in 'WLOS Down Memory  
Lane' in your browser and it will find the news segment. We pray for a blessed conclusion to their venture.  
This link can also be used. <https://wlos.com/news/local/down-memory-lane-toy-museum-closing-franklin-cowee-school-owners-reminisce-jim-sandy-geary-collecting-collectors-passion>

# First Presbyterian Church

January 22, 2023 10:00 a.m.

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*3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Epiphany*



*"We are Christ's people, and this is Christ's church.  
We open our doors wide, just as they have been opened wide to us.  
If you are passing through, Godspeed.  
If you are looking for a church home, welcome.  
If you need instruction, learn from us as we learn from you."*

Welcome and Gathering  
Prelude "Only Time" by Enya  
Frank Armato, Church Musician  
Pouring the Waters of our Baptism: *a reminder that we are baptized children of God*\*\*

\*Call to Worship Neal Keenum, Lay Reader  
In Jesus Christ, we are made one in the Spirit.  
**Let us be united in truth through the same one Spirit.**  
We practice our faith in many different ways.  
**Yet we confess one Lord Jesus Christ.**  
The God of all creation makes us one in the flesh,  
**enabling all to grow in Faith, serve with Hope, share God's Love.\*\***

\*Song of Praise "Blest Be the Tie That Binds" verses 1,2,4 and 5 #306

Prayer of Praise and Confession

**O Lord Jesus Christ, you prayed for your disciples that they might be one. Forgive our many divisions among those who profess your name and heal the many wounds that passions and pride have inflicted upon your church. Enlarge the hearts of your people by your spirit of love, so that the walls that separate us will be broken down. Help us to realize that, as there is in heaven only one holy company abiding in love, so on earth there may be only one holy fellowship. May your people abide in the unity of love and peace, through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

Assurances of God's Mercy "We are Forgiven" #447  
**We are forgiven. We are forgiven.**  
**Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God. Repeat**

Scripture Text and Text Illustrated Ephesians 2:2-10 (MSG) and I Corinthians 1:10-18

Special Music "Give Thanks" **FPC Choir** Glory be to God #647

Sermon "In Between Making and Saving" the Rev. Tempe' Fussell

\*Responsive Affirmation of Faith from PCUSA "Confession of 1967"  
The life, death, resurrection, and promised coming of Jesus Christ has set the pattern for the church's mission.

**His human life involves the church in the common life of all people. His service to men and women commits the church to work for every form of human well-being. His suffering makes the church sensitive to all human suffering so that it sees the face of Christ in the faces of persons in every kind of need.**

His crucifixion discloses to the church God's judgment on the inhumanity that marks human relations, and the awful consequences of the church's own complicity in injustice.

**In the power of the risen Christ and the hope of his coming, the church sees the promise of God's renewal of human life in society and of God's victory over all wrong**

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,  
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our debts,  
as we forgive our debtors, and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power,  
and the glory, forever. Amen.**

Worship with Tithes and Offerings

Offertory "Will You Come and Follow Me" Glory be to God #726  
Doxology

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him,  
all creatures here below. Praise Him above the Heavenly host.  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

Prayer of Dedication

\*Hymn "We Are One in the Spirit" #300

\*Charge/Choral Benediction "In Christ There Is No East or West" #318  
**In Christ there is no east or west,  
in him no south or north,  
but one great fellowship of love  
throughout the whole wide earth.**

Postlude "In Christ There is No East or West" Glory be to God #317